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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, and in compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant submits attached Form PTO/SB/08A (modified) for consideration and requests the references cited therein be made of record by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") in the above-captioned application.

The references cited were discussed in an Examiner interview held on February 23, 2006 in a copending application and are being submitted to be made of record in the present application.

Applicant respectfully points out that the submission of the listed references in this Information Disclosure Statement is not an admission that they are prior art or that they are material to patentability of any claims of the application. Also, the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement is not an indication that a search has been made by Applicant.

Consideration of the foregoing plus the prompt return of a copy of the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A with the Examiner's initials in the left column in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 609 are respectfully requested.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(2), this Information Disclosure Statement is believed to be submitted after the issuance of a first Office Action on the merits but before the mailing date of any action closing prosecution in the application. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206 the amount of \$180.00 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). It is respectfully submitted that no additional fees are required for consideration of this information. However, in the event that the USPTO determines that a variance exists between the amount authorized above and the amount due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit or credit such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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